

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,  
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**

**Board Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2020 8:30 AM**

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met Friday, February 7, 2020 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Endsley Real, CSW, Chair  
Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT, Vice-Chair  
Lorien Jordan, MFT  
Steve Livingston, MFT  
Angie Eells, CSW  
Chip Morris, CSW  
Lisa Morris, LPC  
Bonnie Barker, LPC  
Tommy Black, LPC

**MEMBERS ABSENT/VACANT SEATS:**

(Consumer Member-VACANT)

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director  
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist  
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor

**ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE:**

Elizabeth Simpson, AAG (via teleconference)  
Betsy Cohen, Esq., AAG

**VISITORS PRESENT: (Open Session)**

*During Executive Session, visitors are excused unless scheduled for a personal appearance.*

Rebecca Anne, GSCSW  
Thomas Parron, LPCA GA  
Gale Macke, CEO of LPCA GA  
Bowden Templeton, GAMFT  
Karen Starks, Stark Speech, LLC  
Kristie Griffin, CSB of Middle GA

**Endsley Real, Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.**

**Agenda:** Approve as presented

**Mr. Livingston motioned, Mr. Morris seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to applications, conduct applicant interviews, receive reports from the Assistant Attorney General, the Professional Practices (Complaints), the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees and review prior meeting executive session meeting minutes. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members present: Real, Klock-Powell, Barker, Eells, Black, Mr. Morris, Ms. Morris, Jordan and Livingston.**

**At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, February 7, 2020, Ms. Real, declared the meeting into “open” session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken in Executive Session.**

**Applicant Interviews Conducted:**

- Z.W.
- J.L.
- J.K.
- F.J.

**Recommendation:**

Approve for Licensure  
No further actions required  
Approve-Pending receipt of additional information  
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information

- C.C-P.

Approve to sit for exam

**Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations made regarding the applicant interviews as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Applications:**

The separate Professional Standards Committees reviewed and made recommendations on all applications presented by the administrative staff.

**Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the committees made for the Associate and Professional Counselor applications, the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications and the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that licenses be issued upon receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Professional Practices Committee/Complaints:**

- ❖ **Investigative Interview Conducted (02/06/2020)**  
COMP190178 – Recommendation: Close
- ❖ **Recommend Closure:**  
COMP200045, COMP200054, COMP200088, COMP200093, COMP200094, COMP200095, COMP200096, COMP200097, COMP200098, COMP200099 and COMP200102
- ❖ **Schedule Investigative Interview:**  
COMP1900042, COMP190169, COMP200016 & COMP200055 (Companion Cases)
- ❖ **Refer to Investigations:**  
COMP200089, COMP200091
- ❖ **Refer to AG's Office:**  
COMP180052, 1800168, 190003, 190011
- ❖ **Pending Receipt of Additional Information:**  
COMP200034, COMP200092, COMP190157, COMP200101, COMP200103 and COMP200104

**Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Professional Practices Committee report, accept the recommendations as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Assistant Attorney General's Report:**

Ms. Betsy Cohen, Assistant Attorney General, provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and /or requests for authority for proposed rules.

**Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**PLB Legal ADA Accommodations:**

- O.D.
- J.B.
- T.A.
- S.D.
- M.E.

- B.N.
- T.H.
- S.M.

**Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the ADA accommodations granted by the PLB legal Section as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ex. Correspondence:**

- G.M.

**Recommendation:**

Flag for CE audit

**Executive Session Minutes:**

- January 9, 2020 PPC
- January 10, 2020

**Recommendation:**

Approve as Presented

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**Ms. Eells motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 9, 2020 executive session professional practices committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Eells motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 10, 2020 executive session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Meeting Minutes:**

- January 10, 2020
- January 27, 2020 LPC PSC Rules Committee

**Recommendation:**

Accept as Presented

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**Ms. Eells motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 10, 2020 and January 27, 2020 Board meeting minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Correspondence:**

- NASW GA Chapter – *Yes, it would be appropriate to notify NASW members of the ongoing CE rule change.*
- J. Turner – *The Board request additional clarification from individual*
- B. Jones – *Refer to FAQ's on the Boards website regarding APC/LPC changes*
- T. Jesness – *Refer to Board rules; there is no requirement for site supervisors*
- R. Crawford – *The Board would advise you to seek your own Legal Counsel*
- KSU Correspondence RE MSW Exam – *The Board requires the official transcript to include the degree and date awarded/conferred.*

**Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to approve for Board Staff to respond as directed to correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Full Board Appearances Conducted:**

- Adrienne Robertson 1:15 P.M.
- Kristie Griffin 1:30 P.M.
- Melissa Robinson 1:45 P.M.

**Petition for Rule Waiver/Variance:**

- K. Hardy

**Recommendation:**

Grant

- A. Branch-James

Deny; No Hardship

- C. Leslie

Deny; No Hardship

- A. Allen

Grant

- B. Ilukor

Deny; No Hardship

- L. Daniel

Grant

- R. Bargerion

Grant

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition and allow a sixth month extension to take the exam for K. Hardy as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for A. Branch-James due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not being demonstrated. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for C. Leslie due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not being demonstrated. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for A. Allen as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for B. Ilukor due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not being demonstrated. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition and allow a sixth month extension to take the exam for L. Daniel as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for R. Barger as presented. None opposed, motion carried

**Application Ratify List:** Issued Date: 1/9/2020 - 2/4/2020

License No.	Licensee
APC007294	Alexandra Rose Gellin
APC007295	James Troy Dowling
APC007296	Candice Coward Schalit
APC007297	Amy E Swails
APC007298	Emily Chanel Thornton
APC007299	Kelly Renee Allen
APC007300	Mark Davis Anderson
APC007301	Christen Alexandria Anglin
APC007302	Sarah Lindsay Balsley
APC007303	Katina Pleshette Berry
APC007304	Kellyn Elise Brooks
APC007305	Edward Chinal
APC007306	Evelyn Taylor Cortez
APC007307	Haylee Magnicheri Fowler
APC007308	Andrea Danece Freeman
APC007309	Christopher M. Hall
APC007310	Angela Lee Hamilton
APC007311	Brooke Sara Hampton
APC007312	India Evon Harris
APC007313	Ali Taylor Hudgins
APC007314	Kathryn Irene Hughes
APC007315	Jessica Jarrett Messler
APC007316	Melanie Jerez
APC007317	Sarah Oliver Kitchens
APC007318	Kimberly Bryant Madison
APC007319	Taifa Lynne McLarin

APC007320	Christina Nicole Moffitt
APC007321	Jennifer Lynn Pope
APC007322	Sherice Nicole Shine-Cross
APC007323	Sofia Elizabeth Siraj
APC007324	Jessica Daniela Sullivan
APC007325	John Patrick Sullivan
APC007326	Rachel Renee Warren
APC007327	Nicole Maurey Yaksh
APC007328	Ula Horwitz Zusman
APC007329	Edmonia Sianneh Doe
APC007330	Jane Kearney
APC007331	Dorothy Douglas Blalock
APC007332	Laura Lee Dowling
CSW007034	Tamela Lyn Burton
CSW007035	Carly Marie Farrell
CSW007036	Andrea Francisca Bonkosky
CSW007037	Danielle Miller Hajdini
CSW007038	Laura Kate Hesse
CSW007039	Amber Joi Kingsley
CSW007040	NaShey D. Ingram
CSW007041	Mary Shanika Lane
CSW007042	LeKeshia Miltanette Lynch
CSW007043	Jonathan Edward Walker
CSW007044	Marcus Alexander Whitaker
CSW007045	Laura Kathleen Iandoli
CSW007046	Natalie Wall Howell

CSW007047	Anne-Marie Mendez
CSW007048	Mary Elizabeth Dulong
CSW007049	Stephanie Jane Burns
CSW007050	Kristin Ashley Smith
CSW007051	Pamela Claudette Braxton
CSW007052	Nicholas Bernard Deslattes
CSW007053	Kathleen Christine Dart
CSW007054	Dorothy Patanya Williams
CSW007055	Traci Hicks Cappaert-
CSW007056	Holly Faye Casper
CSW007057	Abbigail Abraham
CSW007058	Alicia Marie Johnson Bryant
CSW007059	Marian Joniese Marshall
CSW007060	Gwendolyn Denise Coley
CSW007061	David Shane Donaldson
CSW007062	Angela Maeleen Cleland
CSW007063	Caitlyn Nicole Brantley
CSW007064	Seema Varghese
CSW007065	Alma Rut Gardarsdottir
LPC011343	Arthur Lee Bennett, Jr.
LPC011344	Jennifer Grace Bandy
LPC011345	Charlar Elena Barnes
LPC011346	Melissa M. Chovan
LPC011347	April La-Shun Coley
LPC011348	Claudia Crosse-Wynn
LPC011349	Alison Kennedy Davis
LPC011350	Jane E. Dillingham
LPC011351	Amanda Elaine Gilchrist
LPC011352	Morgan Faye Jenkins
LPC011353	Tanika Michelle Johnson
LPC011354	Shanika Nicole Johnson
LPC011355	Jacklyn J. Malone
LPC011356	Chaute' Thompson
LPC011357	Kenyatta Monika Williams
LPC011358	Kathryn Wagstaff Agel
LPC011359	Kimberly Dawn Arnold
LPC011360	Ta'Lesha Renee Brown
LPC011361	Brittany Kepler Christmas
LPC011362	Cheryl Delaney
LPC011363	Amelia Lynne DeRamus
LPC011364	Rebekah Ruth Evans
LPC011365	Darlene Fletcher
LPC011366	Martha Jane Fodroczi
LPC011367	Emily Grace Gynn
LPC011368	Starr MyNeisha Kenya Harris
LPC011369	Kara Joy Hicks
LPC011370	Tavonda Shanta Hudson
LPC011371	Erin Simone Kennedy
LPC011372	Markellila Jordan Lee
LPC011373	Monica Renee Lewis
LPC011374	Maryam Sauma Miller
LPC011375	Robyn Nicole Minefee
LPC011376	Stefanie Miller Moore

LPC011377	Sarah Zipfel Poage
LPC011378	Ernest Robertson Prow, III
LPC011379	Mayra Richards
LPC011380	Elva Felecia Sajna
LPC011381	Satin Nastassja Sanders
LPC011382	Cristine Amari Seidell
LPC011383	Tonya Quick Shirey
LPC011384	Ireshia K. Smith
LPC011385	Lyndsay Nicolle Thompson
LPC011386	Pamela Jeanne Wiggins
LPC011387	John Warren Williams
LPC011388	Jennifer Samara Bloom
LPC011389	Daryl S. Eulenfeld
LPC011390	Virginia Lorena Sanchez-
LPC011391	Terry Maurice Samuels
LPC011392	Courtney Leigh Dombrowski
LPC011393	Taisir El-Souessi
MFT001751	Jasmine Ferrill
MFT001752	Jessica Lynn VanDeVelde
MFT001753	Travis Kelly Crowson
MSW009256	Jillian Christine Hill
MSW009257	Jalinia R. Logan
MSW009258	Maria DeLaPaz Lozano
MSW009259	Maren Julia Metcalf
MSW009260	Jessica Rachelle Pierre
MSW009261	Kimberly A Silva
MSW009262	Brittany Michelle Valdez
MSW009263	Heather Marie Groom
MSW009264	Monica Julita Akerele
MSW009265	Jada Zhane Foote
MSW009266	Elliot Dorian Schmidt
MSW009267	Mary Candace Bryant
MSW009268	Samantha Marie Martinez
MSW009269	Dana Arielle Smith
MSW009270	Tyler-Leah Constance
MSW009271	Taeshana Yolanda Archer
MSW009272	Kayla Suzanne Gonzalez
MSW009273	Jeremy Robert McCoy
MSW009274	Rodniqua Armstrong Hines
MSW009275	Samantha Lynn Kelley
MSW009276	Demetria Dashone Jennings
MSW009277	Marie De Noel Pham
MSW009278	Elizabeth Ruth DenBleyker
MSW009279	Megan Christine Jennings
MSW009280	Danya Amy Maloon
MSW009281	Sabeen Maryam Rana
MSW009282	Chesea Lynn Singleton
MSW009283	Erin Haley McElearney
MSW009284	Jennifer P Booker
MSW009285	Abbie Logan Milich
MSW009286	Jade Elizabeth Baker
MSW009287	Natashia Nicole Lee

MSW009288	Elizabeth Joy Berry
MSW009289	Sean Patrick Dougherty
MSW009290	Jerome Denette Dingle
MSW009291	Taylor Lee Kennedy

MSW009292	Bridgett Loutrella Muckle
MSW009293	Christina Marie Costello
MSW009294	Janikqua J. Cutno

**Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Application Ratify List of licenses issued between Board meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Associations – Board Update:**

- Association updates were provided by Rebecca Anne, GSCSW, Gale Mackey of GA LPCA and Bowden Templeton, GAMFT.

**Ms. Eells motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to discuss the Board appearance conducted. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members present: Real, Klock-Powell, Barker, Black, Ms. Morris, Mr. Morris, Jordan and Livingston.**

**At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, February 7, 2020 Ms. Real, declared the meeting into “open” session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken in Executive Session**

**Full Board Appearances Discussion:**

- Adrienne Robertson
- Kristie Griffin
- Melissa Robinson

**Recommendation:**

Denial Stands  
Denial Stands  
Denial Stands

**Ms. Jordan motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stands for the application of A. Robertson as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Jordan motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stands for the application of K. Griffin as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Jordan motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stands for the application of M. Robinson as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Board Rules Discussion:**

- 135-5-.01 & .02 APC/LPC – Tabled for further committee discussion
- 135-6-.03 Renewal Cycle – Refer to AG’s office
- 135-6-.04 Revocation of Expired Licenses and Reinstatement of Expired Licenses – *Tabled*
- 135-6-.06 Inactive Status – Refer to AG’s office
- Fee Schedule – Revise upon adoption of rule changes

**The Board tables any further discussion of the APC/LPC Licensure requirements rule (135-5-.01 & .02) for further committee discussion and revisions. In addition, the Board tabled any further discussion regarding rule 135-6-.04 for further review and discussion by the general Board Rules Committee.**

**Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Eells seconded and the Board voted to refer the proposed rule of 135-6-.03 Biennial Renewal Cycle to AG’s Office for a memo of statutory authority and to post the following proposed rule amendments upon receipt for the required minimum of thirty days for public view and comment, with a rule hearing to be conducted the next available meeting. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Eells seconded and the Board voted to refer the proposed rule of 135-6-.06 Inactive Status to AG’s Office for a memo of statutory authority and to post the following**

**proposed rule amendments upon receipt for the required minimum of thirty days for public view and comment, with a rule hearing to be conducted the next available meeting. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Rules Committee Meetings:**

The Georgia Composite Board's LPC PSC Rules Committee will meeting on March 5, 2020 at 1:00 PM following the conclusion of the Professional Practices Committee (executive session) scheduled for that morning at 10:00 a.m.

**Committee Meetings:** The Georgia Composite Board's Professional Practices Committee will continue to meet in person, in executive (closed) session, on the Thursday prior to the scheduled Friday full Composite Board Meetings to review complaint cases and conduct investigative interviews. The committee will meet, closed session, in the Board offices beginning at 10:00 am.

**With no additional Board business requiring discussion, the Board meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.**

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

**ENDSLEY REAL**

Chair

**BRIG ZIMMERMAN**

Executive Director

Minutes approved on: **March 6, 2020**